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TO: Members of the Bar and Public:

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SUBJECT: Rules and other procedures under the REFORM ACT

Below you will find important information regarding the Interim Rules and other helpful information regarding the REFORM ACT. All this information is available on the Courts Reform web site:

http://www.id.uscourts.gov/BK_Reform/BKReformAct2005.htm

In regard to the Interim Rules, Chief Bankruptcy Judge Myers has entered an order adopting these Interim Rules. The Interim Rules are effective October 17, 2005, and are designed to implement the substantive and procedural changes mandated under the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act. To the extent any provisions of the existing Local Bankruptcy Rules of the District of Idaho are inconsistent with the provisions of that Act or the Interim Rules, those LBR provisions are no longer controlling. (The Advisory Committee on Local Bankruptcy Rules is evaluating potential amendments and revisions of the Local Bankruptcy Rules, and its members should be contacted with questions, comments or suggested Local Rule changes). Further, for cases and proceedings *not* governed by the Act, the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and the Local Bankruptcy Rules (other than the Interim Rules) shall apply.

With respect to other items, starting on October 17, 2005, you will be able to file the Social Security Statement on ECF. You no longer have to file these documents in paper. The event, under "other" will be sealed and only accessible to the court.

After extensive work by the Bankruptcy Local Rules Committee, the new Chapter 13 Plan also becomes effective on October 17, 2005. Please see the web site.

Finally, an improved event list for members of the bar can be found under "documents" on the Reform Page. Thanks for your consideration.

